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## PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 61.136(a) EXTENSION OF TIME AND

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three - months extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding October 30, 2008 Office Action, thereby extending the date on which the period for response is set to expire April 30, 2009.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge all required fees and credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-2168

Respectfully submitted.

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